

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-35 (canceled).

Claim 36 (currently amended): A composition comprising the isolated polypeptide of ~~claim 8~~ and ~~claim 50~~ and a pharmaceutically suitable excipient.

Claims 37-49 (canceled).

Claim 50 (currently amended). ~~The An~~ isolated polypeptide of ~~claim 8~~,
~~wherein the truncated tryptophanyl-tRNA synthetase polypeptide is a polypeptide consisting~~
~~essentially of amino acid residues 71-471 of SEQ ID NO:10.~~

Claim 51 (currently amended). The isolated polypeptide of ~~claim 8~~,
~~wherein the truncated tryptophanyl-tRNA synthetase polypeptide is a polypeptide of approximately 47~~
~~kD molecular weight~~ ~~claim 50~~ produced by cleavage of the polypeptide consisting essentially
of residues 1-471 of SEQ ID NO:10 with polymorphonuclear leucocyte elastase.